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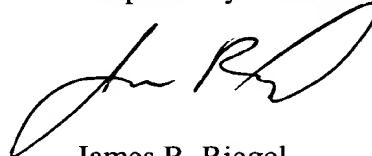
Claims 1-4, 6-13, 15, 22-28, 30-35, 37, and 57-66 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 2, 6, 7, 9-11, 22-33, 35, and 37 have been amended, claims 5, 14, 16-21, 29, 36 and 38-56 have been cancelled, and claims 57-66 have been added.

The Examiner stated that pages appeared to be missing from Preliminary Amendment A submitted with the application. A copy of the full Preliminary Amendment A is included herewith. Applicant has reproduced the amendments of Preliminary Amendment A in this Amendment B, with the exception that the statement (on page 1 of Prelim. Amendment A), "Please cancel claims 1-43 without prejudice," which was an unintentional error in Preliminary Amendment A, has not been included in Amendment B. Instead, several of the claims (1-4, 6-13, 15, 22-28, 30-35, 37) are amended and pending, not cancelled. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the claims as presented in this Amendment B.

The Examiner rejected claims 44-56 under 35 U.S.C. 101 as claiming the same invention as that of claims 44-56 of prior U.S. Patent No. 5,828,197. Claims 44-56 have been cancelled herein, and Applicant respectfully requests that the same-type double patenting rejection be withdrawn.

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

Respectfully submitted,



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